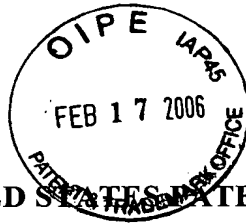


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LETTER SUBMITTING REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEETS

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SIR:

Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted herewith:

☒ 3 Replacement Drawing Sheets ☐ _____ New Drawing Sheets

☒ Official Action dated January 4, 2006

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☐ Other dated _____

The changes and/or modifications made include the following:

The attached Replacement Drawing Sheets for Figs. 1, 3 and 5 have been labeled as Prior Art, as requested.

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